

In re application of: Kim et al.

Serial No.: 10/748,900

Group: Art Unit 2825

Filed: December 20, 2003

Examiner: Rocchegiani, Renzo

For:

**METHOD OF FORMING A VIA CONTACT STRUCTURE USING
A DUAL DAMASCENE TECHNIQUE**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria VA 22313-1450

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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[] A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
[X] No additional fee is required.

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Respectfully submitted,

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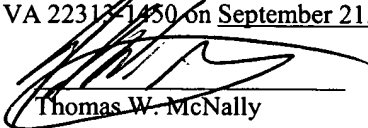
AMENDMENT

This is a response to an Office Action mailed on June 28, 2004. Please consider the following amendments and remarks to the above-identified application:

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